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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:) Confirmation No.: 8295
Gary K. Michelson)
Serial No.: 09/921,844) Group Art Unit: 3738
Filed: August 3, 2001) Examiner: Bruce Edward Snow
For: SPINAL IMPLANT SURFACE)
CONFIGURATION)

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Sir:

AMENDMENT

Prior to the further examination and in reply to the Final Office Action of April 5, 2010, the period for reply having been extended for three (3) months by a request for extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.

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